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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
(new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

INVENTOR: Wallace T.-Y. TANG

TITLE: IN-SITU REAL-TIME MONITORING TECHNIQUE AND APPARATUS FOR
DETECTION OF THIN FILMS DURING CHEMICAL/MECHANICAL POLISHING
PLANARIZATION

In connection with this application, the following are enclosed:

APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

XX Specification - 16 TOTAL PAGES

(preferred arrangement:)

- Descriptive Title of the Invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regard Fed sponsored R&D
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claims (7 pages)
- Abstract of the Disclosure (1 page)

XX Drawings - Total Sheets 6

XX Declaration and Power of Attorney and Associate Power of Attorney -
Total Sheets 2

___ Newly executed (original or copy)

XX Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))

(relates to continuation/divisional boxes completed) - NOTE: Box below

___ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) - Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

XX Incorporation By Reference (useable if copy of prior application
Declaration being submitted)

The entire disclosure of the prior application Serial No. 08/401,229, from
which a COPY of the oath or declaration is supplied as noted above, is
considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application
and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

___ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

___ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable,
all necessary)

___ Computer Readable Copy

___ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)

___ Statement verifying identify of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

___ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

___ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)

___ English Translation Document (if applicable)

XX Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with PTO-1449. ___ Copies of IDS Citations

☐ Preliminary Amendment
☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
☒ Small Entity Statement(s)
☒ Statement file in prior application, status still proper and desired.
☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) with Claim of Priority
(if foreign priority is claimed).
☒ OTHER: Preliminary Remarks

If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☒ Continuation of prior application Serial No. 08/401,229, filed March 9, 1995, which is in turn a divisional of Serial No. 07/996,817, filed December 28, 1992.

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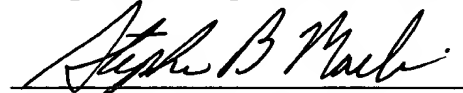
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